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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Application for Family Unity Benefits,

Form I-817, Revision of a Currently Approved Collection

Action: 60-Day Notice.

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), will be submitting the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection is published in the <u>Federal Register</u> to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until [Insert date 60 days from date of publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>].

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the DHS, USCIS, Office of Policy and Strategy, Laura Dawkins, Chief, Regulatory Coordination Division, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20529. Comments may also be submitted via the Federal eRulemaking Portal website at http://www.Regulations.gov under e-Docket ID number USCIS-2009-0021.

All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket ID.

Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal website at

http://www.Regulations.gov, and will include any personal information you provide.

Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to consider limiting the amount of personal information that you provide in any voluntary submission you make to DHS. DHS may withhold information provided in comments from public viewing that it determines may impact the privacy of an individual or that is offensive. For additional information, please read the Privacy Act notice that is available via the link in the footer of http://www.Regulations.gov.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

- (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

- (1) **Type of Information Collection:** Revision of a currently approved information collection.
- (2) **Title of the Form/Collection:** Application for Family Unity Benefits.
- (3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection: Form I-817, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- (4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals or Households. The information collected will be used to determine whether the applicant meets the eligibility requirements for benefits under 8 CFR 236.14 and 245a.33.
- (5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 2,384 responses at 2 hours per response.
- (6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 4,768 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please visit the Federal eRulemaking Portal website at: http://www.Regulations.gov.

We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Office of Policy and Strategy, Regulatory Coordination Division, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20529, Telephone number 202-272-8377.

Laura Dawkins, October 25, 2012

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